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4 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
5 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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7 THOMAS BROOKS,

8 Plaintiff(s),

Case No. 2:20-CV-565 JCM (EJY)

9 v.

ORDER

10 SANOFI, S.A., et al.,

11 Defendant(s).

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13 Presently before the court is the matter of *Brooks v. Sanofi S.A. et al.*, case no. 2:20-cv-
14 565-JCM-EJY. On April 1, 2020, Thomas Brooks (“plaintiff”) moved to remand this action to
15 the Eighth Judicial District Court. (ECF No. 6). The next day, plaintiff filed the instant motion
16 to expedite. (ECF No. 7).

17 Local Rule IA 6-1(d) provides as follows:

18 Motions to shorten time will be granted only upon an attorney or
19 party’s declaration describing the circumstances claimed to
20 constitute good cause to justify shortening of time. The moving
21 party must advise the courtroom administrator for the assigned
22 judge that a motion for an order shortening time was filed.

23 LR IA 6-1.

24 Plaintiff avers—and his counsel affirms by way of declaration—that defendant
25 GlaxoSmithKline LLC (“defendant”) removed this action for the sole purpose of hastily
26 transferring this case to the Zantac multidistrict litigation. (ECF No. 7). Indeed, the Judicial
27 Panel issued an order conditionally transferring this case to the Zantac multidistrict litigation on
28 March 25, 2020. *Id.* at 3.

1 By plaintiff's estimation, defendant's litigation strategy is aimed at depriving plaintiff of
2 his "substantive right to an expedited trial within 120 days pursuant to NRS 16.025." *Id.*
3 Plaintiff argues that defendant's removal is baseless because it has not demonstrated that the
4 amount in controversy exceeds \$75,000. *Id.*

5 The court finds good cause to justify expediting plaintiff's motion to remand. This case
6 has already been conditionally transferred to the Zantac multidistrict litigation. If defendant's
7 removal was, in fact, meritless, then plaintiff stands to be wrongfully deprived of his substantive
8 right to an expedited trial under Nevada law.

9 Accordingly,

10 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, and DECREED that plaintiff's motion to
11 expedite (ECF No. 7) be, and the same hereby is, GRANTED.

12 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that defendant shall file its response to plaintiff's motion to
13 remand on or before Wednesday, April 8.

14 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that plaintiff shall file its reply, if any, to defendant's
15 response on or before Friday, April 10.

16 DATED April 3, 2020.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE